A Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council was convened at 8:10 p.m. on November 8, 2010 in Council Chambers of Borough Hall with Mayor Dempsey presiding.

Mayor Dempsey stated that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975 and that notice was given to the Coast Star and the Asbury Park Press on December 22, 2009.

Mayor Demspey welcomed the audience and invited them to join in a moment of silent prayer and a salute to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee, Lucas

Absent: None

Also present was Borough Attorney James Kinneally and Borough Administrator/CFO Joseph Delorio

PROCLAMATION: Colleen Scimeca

WHEREAS, Colleen Scimeca retired on November 1, 2010 as Municipal Clerk and Registrar from the Borough of Manasquan; and

WHEREAS, Colleen Scimeca has served as the Municipal Clerk from October 4, 1993 and served as the Registrar from March 3, 1997 until her retirement on November 1, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, she also served as Deputy Municipal Clerk from October 26, 1992 until October 3, 1993 before being promoted to Municipal Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, she began her career with the Borough of Manasquan as a Dispatcher for the Police Department in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Scimeca served as the Liaison for the Manasquan Borough Board of Health for 16 years. She also served on the Borough of Manasquan Emergency Management Council for the past 14 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Colleen Scimeca holds a Registered Municipal Clerk's Certificate. She is also certified as a the Municipal Registrar.; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of Registrar's Association of NJ and Central Jersey Registrars Association. She is also a member of Municipal Clerk Association of Monmouth County and New Jersey, as well as a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks and NJ League of Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Colleen Scimeca served in the United States Air Force from January 1979 to January 1984. While with the U.S.A.F. she was a Law Enforcement Specialist.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, George R. Dempsey, Jr., Mayor of the Borough of Manasquan, on behalf of the Borough Council and the good people of Manasquan, officially thank Colleen Scimeca for her service to the community.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that I, George R. Dempsey, Jr., Mayor of the Borough of Manasquan by the power vested in me, do hereby proclaim November 1, 2010 as "COLLEEN SCIMECA RECOGNITION DAY" in recognition of her valuable service to the Borough of Manasquan. Let true and official copies of this Proclamation be spread upon the minutes of the meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, November 8, 2010.

APPOINTMENTS: \*Nicholas Norcia, Manasquan, full-time Regular Police Officer starting salary \$36,333.00 effective immediately.

Council Member Lucas made a motion to appoint Nicholas Norcia to full-time Regular Police Officer, seconded by Council Member Donovan. Motion carried by the following vote "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee and Lucas, "no" none.

Mayor George Dempsey swore Nicholas Norcia in as a full-time Regular Police Officer for the Borough of Manasquan.

\*Stephanie Miller, 35 Lakewood Road, transfer from Finance Dept. to Municipal Clerk's office, no salary change

Council Member Connolly made a motion to approve the transfer of Stephanie Miller from the Finance Dept. to the Municipal Clerk's Office, seconded by Council Member Lee. Motion carried by the following vote "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee and Lucas, "no" none.

\*Barbara Ilaria, Office of Emergency Management Council

Council Member Donovan made a motion to appoint Barbara Ilaria to the Office of Emergency Management Council, seconded by Council Member Lucas. Motion carried by the following vote "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee and Lucas, "no" none.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

The Borough Attorney presented the following resolutions for approval.

# RESOLUTION NO. 157-2010

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, IN THE County of Monmouth, New Jersey (not less than three (3) members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

- 1. All bills or claims as reviewed and approved by the Administration & Finance Committee and as set forth in this Resolution are hereby approved for payment.
- 2. The Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to sign checks in payment of bills and claims which are hereby approved.

The computer print-out of the list of checks will be on file in the Clerk's Office.

CURRENT FUND 1,655,364.21 (Includes

1,502,421.45 County taxes)

WATER/SEWER FUND: 24,407.50

BEACH FUND.: 28,331.13

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND: 89,671.50

WATER/SEWER CAPITAL FUND: 191,852.25

BEACH IMPROVEMENT FUND:

# RESOLUTION NO. 153-2010

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING STEPHANIE MILLER TO SR. CLERK TYPIST IN THE MUNICIPAL CLERK'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Manasquan ("Manasquan") is in need of a Sr. Clerk Typist; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey as follows:

- Stephanie Miller is transferred from the Finance Department to the Municipal Clerk's Office.
- 2. Stephanie Miller is appointed to the position of Sr. Clerk Typist with no change in salary.
- 3. The effective date of this appointment is December 31, 2010 or as soon as the vacancy in the Finance Department is filled, whichever one occurs first.
  - 4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be sent to:

Stephanie Miller 201 East Main Street Manasquan NJ 08736

# RESOLUTION NO. 156-2010

# RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING NICHOLAS NORCIA AS POLICE OFFICER

WHEREAS, due to several retirements, the Borough of Manasquan ("Manasquan") is in need of a Police Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has reviewed the candidates for the position of Police Officer; and WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended that the Borough of Manasquan hire Nicholas Norcia for the position of Police Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. Mr. Nicholas Norcia is appointed to the position of Police Officer of the Borough of Manasquan.
  - 2. The effective date of this appointment is November 9, 2010.
  - 3. The salary for this position is \$36,333.00 per year.
  - 4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be sent to:

Mr. Nicholas Norcia 101 ½ First Avenue Manasquan NJ 08736

### RESOLUTION 152-2010

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, County of Monmouth, New Jersey that Barbara Ilaria, Municipal Clerk be appointed to the Emergency Management Council for the remainder of 2010 year.

### RESOLUTION 150-10

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2009 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, R. S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations," and,

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed at a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations," as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and,

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the governing body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and,

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the Director of Local Government Services, under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the governing body of the Borough of Manasquan, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

# RESOLUTION 151-2010

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan,

County of Monmouth, New Jersey that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be authorized

to sign the Temporary Use and Occupancy Agreement for Seasonal Parking at Fisherman's Cove Agreement for the years 2011-2015 with Monmouth County.

# RESOLUTION No. 154-2010

### RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SEASON BEACH BADGES AND SEASON PARKING PERMITS

WHEREAS, fees for the sale of season beach badges are established under Section 12-2.4 (Fees) and fees for the sale of season parking permits are established under section 12-11 (Season Parking Permit) of Chapter 12 (Beaches and Beachfront) of the Code of the Borough of Manasquan; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council is desirous of authorizing the sale of season beach badges and parking permits in the month of December during normal business hours on days on which the municipal offices are open to the pubic; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council is desirous of establishing fees at the 2010 rate for the sale of season beach badges and parking permits; and

WHEREAS, the charge for these items may increase during the 2011 calendar year;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010 by the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, Monmouth County, New Jersey as follows:

- 1. Season beach badges and parking permits shall be available for purchase in the month of December during normal business hours on days on which the municipal offices are open.
  - 2. A copy of this resolution shall be posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building.
- 3. The Borough Council shall announce at each regular business meeting during the months of November and December that season beach badges and parking permits are available for purchase at the 2010 rate.
  - 4. A maximum of up to 600 season parking permits will be sold during this period.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 155-2010**

# SUPPORTING ARBITRATION REFORM WITH AWARD CAPS

WHEREAS, it has now been three months since the Governor signed the new 2% levy cap into law; and

WHEREAS, the League had asked the Governor and the Legislature to delay action on the cap until after they had agreed on management reforms and mandates relief items that would make that cap workable; and

WHEREAS, our request was ignored; and

WHEREAS, all around the State, responsible municipal officials have begun planning their 2011 budgets, which, at this point, MUST account for the new cap, and be based on the assumption that meaningful management reforms and mandates relief initiatives will NOT be in place, and also be based on the further assumption that next year's State budget will not provide statutorily required revenue replacement funding; and

WHEREAS, though Mayors and governing bodies will do whatever they can to prevent negative outcomes, property taxpayers should anticipate service cuts, and local government employees should expect lay-offs; and

WHEREAS, while these consequences may be unavoidable in 2011; going forward, the situation can only improve IF serious reforms are enacted and unfunded mandates are relieved or repealed; and

WHEREAS, attention to the Binding Interest Arbitration mandate should top the list of State priorities for meaningful property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, the primary driver of local government costs has been the inexorable increase in employee salaries; and

WHEREAS, over the past 30 years, the salaries of police and paid fire personnel have risen faster than all others, though other personnel have also seen higher than CPI increases in salary rates, just at a slightly lower rate; and

WHEREAS, this has occurred primarily as the result of the 1977 legislation mandating binding interest arbitration to settle contractual disputes; and

WHEREAS, having approved an inflexible 2% cap on the property tax levy, State policy makers need to recognize that any arbitration awards with a total economic impact of more than 2% will force cuts elsewhere in local budgets; and to fund increased public safety compensation, in excess of the 2% cap, municipalities will need to cut services, salaries and/or personnel in other departments or reduce the number of uniformed personnel; and

WHEREAS, even those actions will not satisfy the public's hunger for reduced property tax burdens; but will only slow the rate of growth; and

WHEREAS, such a cap is included in the provisions of S-2310 and its companion measure, A-3283; and

WHEREAS, nothing short of that can assure local elected officials that they will be able to continue to provide adequate public services to their citizens; since without that cap, other services will be the first to be cut; but over time, even public safety service levels will decline, as fewer and fewer police officers and firemen and women consume more and more of the levy limited local budget; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, Monmouth County, State of New Jersey does, hereby, support the provisions of S-2310/A-3283, which require the arbitrator to cap the full economic impact of the award at the 2% limit; and be it, further,

**RESOLVED**, that we would urge our State Legislators to oppose and the Governor to veto any arbitration reform initiative that does not impose a 2% cap on the total economic impact of any future arbitration awards; and be it, further,

**RESOLVED**, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Governor Christie, to our State Senator Andrew R. Ciesla, to our Representatives in the General Assembly, James W. Holzapfel and David W. Wolfe, and to the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

### RESOLUTION 158-2010

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Manasquan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Borough of Manasquan authorized the Municipal Clerk to submit a request for a Certification list to NJ Civil Service Commission for the position of Sergeant and for the Police Chief to proceed with the hiring process.

Council Member Bossone made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council Member Lee. Motion carried by the following vote "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee and Lucas, "no" none.

Council Member Bossone made a motion to proceed with the advertising of the Payroll/Account Clerk, seconded by Council Member Connolly. Motion carried by the following vote "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee and Lucas, "no" none.

#### **ORDINANCES**

The Borough Attorney read the title of ordinance #2072-10 for the second reading and final hearing.

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 2-37,
"CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE", CREATING THE TITLE OF
DIRECTOR OF TELEVISION SERVICES IN THE REVISED GENERAL
ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN,
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments regarding ordinance #2072-10.

There being no questions or comments, Council Member Connolly made a motion to pass and publish ordinance #2072-10 according to law, seconded by Council Member Lucas. Motion carried by the following vote: "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Grasso, Donovan, Lee, and Lucas, "no" none.

The Borough Attorney read the title of ordinance #2073-10 for introduction.

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 22 (WATER AND SEWER UTILITY) AND CREATING SECTION 22-62 ENTITLED GREASE DISCHARGE ABATEMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments regarding ordinance #2073-10.

The Mayor advised that the second reading of this ordinance will be on November 22, 2010.

Council Member Donovan reiterated the need for this ordinance.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to introduce ordinance #2073-10, seconded by Council Member Lucas. Motion carried by the following vote: "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Grasso, Donovan, Lee, and Lucas. "No" none.

The Borough Attorney read the title of ordinance #2074-10 for introduction.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE ADJUSTING COPYING FEES FOR PUBLIC RECORDS IN THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments regarding ordinance #2074-10.

The Mayor advised that the second reading of this ordinance will be on November 22, 2010.

Council Member Lucas made a motion to introduce ordinance #2074-10, seconded by Council Member Lee. Motion carried by the following vote: "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Grasso, Donovan, Lee, and Lucas. "No" none.

The Borough Attorney read the title of ordinance #2075-10 for introduction.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12 (BEACHES AND BEACHFRONT) OF THE CODE IN THE BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments regarding ordinance #2075-10.

The Mayor advised that the second reading of this ordinance will be on November 22, 2010.

Council Member Bossone made a motion to introduce ordinance #2075-10, seconded by Council Member Lucas. Motion carried by the following vote: "yes" Council Member Bossone, Connolly, Donovan, Grasso, Lee, and Lucas. "No" none.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Law and Code Committee – Council Member Grasso informed the Council and audience about the Turbine meetings and who they would like to attend these meetings. He thanked the new administrator Joseph DeIorio for getting the minutes on the website. Council Member Grasso wanted to go on record that as Chairman for Code and Law Committee and second ranking member on the Finance Committee the citizens of Manasquan are entitled to know why Council Member Donovan did not fulfill his tax obligations. Why did it take 3 years to make a payment of \$741 and only after it was uncovered and paid just 2 days after re-election. He stated that this is inexcusable. We also must ask if Mayor Dempsey is culpable in not addressing this situation. For the past 3 years this administration was aware of this and was also advised monthly by the tax collector's office to speak with Council Member Donovan to pay the fee. As an elected public official, we take an oath on the Bible to uphold and obey the law. Council Member Donovan and Mayor Dempsey took that oath and broke our trust. This is shameful; this is embarrassing and quite frankly indefensible. Since this is a violation of the law and has been outstanding for 3 years, I recommend an immediate investigation by the Borough Prosecutor's Office to look into why this negligence of payment by Council Member Donovan and follow up by Mayor Dempsey took 3 years to settle.

Mayor Dempsey advised that his recollection was that it wasn't until the council re-reviewed the COAH obligations that Mr. Donovan was told...

Council Member Grasso stated that there is 10 months worth of ....

Mayor Dempsey advised that he was speaking but that it was ok for him to interrupt him.

Council Member Grasso stated there are 10 months of requisitions from the tax collector's office to pay this.

Mayor Dempsey asked Valerie Bills, Borough Tax Collector to come up and clear up the issue with the COAH fees.

Valerie Bills, Borough tax collector stated that it is not the Mayor's job to collect money. The responsibility for collecting the COAH fees actually falls on the Code Enforcement and Sharon Bogie in that department. She advised that the true amount that was due wasn't known until 2009 when she re-reviewed the entire COAH from the beginning and recalculated every building project from December 2, 2000.

Mayor Demspey asked Ms. Bills if there are still outstanding fees.

Ms. Bills advised that yes there are. The only recourse is to write them a summons for failure to comply with the Ordinance. She advised that this is in the hands of the Code Enforcement.

Council Member Grasso asked who was in charge of Code Enforcement for the past 2 years? He answered his own question by stating that it was Council Member Sofia and Council Member Kinneally.

Mayor Dempsey stated that it would be up to the Department Head not the Council.

Ms. Bills stated that she has a hard time with Council Member Grasso characterizing what happened as being so awful without him mentioning what was done to her. She stated that my report went to 10 people, those 10 sitting right here, somehow it got into the public hands without proper authorization. She stated that she finds it to be a more disturbing then whether or not the COAH was paid. There are several other people in town that haven't paid their COAH fees. Why are you.....

Council Member Grasso stated that we are talking about an elected official here who takes an oath on the bible.

Ms. Bills stated that that is exactly the reason she included it in my report. She stated that she does honestly believe....

Council Member Grasso....

Mayor Dempsey told Council Member Grasso to let Ms. Bills finish before he starts to talk.

Ms. Bills continued by stating that Council Member Donovan shouldn't be above reproach, which is why she listed it in her report. Ms. Bills stated that she is just reporting the facts. She stated that she has nothing to do with the collection of it and the fact that she was publicly dragged into this discussion.

Council Member Grasso stated that it is up to our own responsibility as individuals to take care of our own personal matters. This was not taken care of.

Ms. Bills stated that the manner that this was brought out in public is equally as reprehensible if not more so and illegal. She asked how Rich Dunne knew a week before the mailer was delivered. She stated that there is only one way he could have known. It had to come from one of the 10 copies. I can guarantee that 8 of the 10 didn't supply this information.

Council Member Grasso asked if this would happen if the payment was made.

Ms. Bills stated that if the payment was made a notation would have been made and dropped from my report.

Council Member Grasso stated that it was on the reports from March 1.

Ms. Bills stated that information is correct.

Mayor Dempsey stated that what Ms. Bills has a concern with is it could affect her job if the ethics committee comes down. The way the mailer was sent out was they cut and paste her whole title head and address.

Ms. Bills stated that everybody that she showed the mailer to and asked who they thought the letter came from though it came from her. She stated the perception that anybody who opened the mailer was that it did come from Ms. Bills. She asked Council Member Grasso how Rich Dunne got this information before anybody else did. She stated that it didn't come from the Administration, from herself, the Clerk's Office, the Mayor, didn't come from the 3 Democrats and I know it didn't come from Council Member Lucas.

Council Member Grasso asked how do you know it didn't come from Joe Lucas?

Mayor Demspey asked each Council Member to respond to the question "did you give that information out?"

Council Member Donovan stated "I did not"

Council Member Bossone stated "no I did not"

Council Member Lee stated "I did not give it out"

Mayor Dempsey stated that "he did not give it out"

Council Member Lucas stated "I do not agree with what transpired and I had no knowledge of it and I did not give it out"

Council Member Connolly "I have no knowledge of that at all, I was in another country.....

Ms. Bills stated that Council Member Connolly was not out of the country for the entire month and it was a ten minute cut and paste.

Council Member Connolly.... "I have no knowledge of it at all"

Council Member Grasso stated that he "spoke with Ms. Bills Monday of last week and I have no knowledge of it."

Ms. Bills stated that ......

Council Member Connolly stated that this is a similar situation that happened with the Board of Education. The Board of Education sent out an e-mail to all of its employees.....

Council Member Bossone stated "that is not true....."

Mayor Dempsey asked Council Member Bossone to let Council Member Connolly finish.

Council Member Connolly stated that Board of Education employees sent out an e-mail on Board of Education technology to all its employees to invite them to a Democratic fund raiser. Now someone in the audience got up and asked the same question of the members of this governing body. They all said the same thing. We do not know. We respected them. We are asking for the same respect for us.

Ms. Bills stated that she is looking for the same respect that she has shown the council for the 20 years that she has worked here. She stated that she has never been treated like this by somebody sitting on council. It had to come from one of you. She stated again that there were only 10 copies and that she can vouch for 8 of them. The two of you (Connolly and Grasso), I just don't believe you.

Council Member Connolly and Grasso both asked if Ms. Bills was accusing them of lying.

Ms. Bills stated that she is not and that she is expressing by personal opinion that she does not believe what they are telling her.

Council Member Connolly asked if Ms. Bills was calling her a liar.

Ms. Bills stated "yes"

Council Member Connolly stated "prove it". She stated that she is really embarrassed with Ms. Bills' behavior. She stated that she is an elected official and took an oath. She stated that she would never and that her word is gold.

Council Member Grasso stated we are missing the bigger issue here. He stated that Council Member Donovan did not pay his obligation. That is the bigger issue and once we get onto that story this matter is over. He did not pay as an elected official. He stated that he rose his hand and put it on the bible....

Ms. Bills stated that the bill is paid and the issue is over.

Council Member Grasso stated so 3 years later it is paid and after election.

Council Member Donovan stated that it is now his turn. He stated that he did work on his house in 2004 and 2005. He stated that he didn't get a bill from the tax collector's office until 2008. That was the first bill that he received for COAH fees. He was subsequently told that there was a problem with the formula and that they were not going to collect money that was due until they straightened out that issue. That wasn't until the middle of 2010 when he got a copy of the 2008 bill and he immediately went to Ms. Bills and asked that now that he received the bill, everything is resolved, and he will pay the \$741 as soon as he gets it. He stated that as soon as he got the money he paid it.

Council Member Connolly stated that she is happy that it is paid and the Borough of Manasquan is richer by \$741.

Council Member Donovan stated that it is not the Borough of Manasquan that is richer by \$741 that is another misrepresentation. That goes to a COAH account and that it does not affect the taxes of the Borough of Manasquan it doesn't affect one program in Manasquan.....

Council Member Connolly stated that she did not say ...... she stated that the trust account is richer....

Council Member Donovan and other council members stated that that is not what Council Member Connolly stated.

Ms. Bills stated that the money goes into the COAH account.....

Council Member Connolly stated that that is part of the Borough.

Ms. Bills stated that it is a separate trust account. You can not co-mingle the funds.

Council Member Connolly stated that she is very happy that the money is paid and that she paid her COAH obligation and as a result she got money back because she overpaid. She stated that everyone has the obligation to pay it. That is what we should be looking at.

Council Member Donovan stated that he was told not to pay it.

Council Member Connolly stated that Council Member Donovan didn't pay it until 2010.

Council Member Donovan stated that when it was finally resolved he paid.

Council Member Connolly stated it didn't take all those years.

Council Member Donovan stated that it did.

Council Member Connolly stated "Ed please". She stated that she "is very happy that it is paid".

Council Member Donovan stated that "now you are calling me a liar". He stated that he is an elected official and that he takes offense to that. I am telling you that it was not resolved until the middle of 2010.

Council Member Connolly stated that that is not true.

Council Member Donovan stated that that it is true, that is when he received a bill and that was when he was told that it had been resolved and that it was due.

Ms. Bills agreed with Council Member Donovan.

Council Member Lee stated that as Finance Chair he had gone through COAH revisions and formulas at least 3 times. He suggested that Council Member Connolly go back and do some homework to understand the timeline that was involved. He stated that it would be educational.

Council Member Connolly stated that ever since she has been on the council she has seen that showing up as an item that is due......

Council Member Donovan stated that "you are talking about everyone else being responsible for it but you."

Council Member Connolly stated that "I will tell you what I have done about it I asked Ms. Bills what can we do about this and Ms. Bills said I spoke to the Mayor and spoke to Ed......"

Ms. Bills stated "No" that is not what I said.

Council Member Connolly continued with "Valerie did you write a letter to him to remind him of his obligation and she said to me it is not my duty to write him a letter."

Ms. Bills stated that that is correct. It is not her job to collect that money.

Council Member Connolly stated that she is very happy that it is paid and that it is over.

Council Member Bossone, Mayor Dempsey and some others stated that it is not over.

Mayor Dempsey stated the document that we are talking about, he showed it to the Council. This is the same bill head that someone has cut and paste to this document. This document has no paid for by, it is a political document, this document is going to the Board of Elections and the Attorney General. He stated that we will get to the bottom of it.

Council Member Connolly agreed with the Mayor that it should go to the Board of Election and the Attorney General.

Mayor Dempsey stated that he was hoping that someone would have the courage and the honesty tonight to admit that they gave the information to former Mayor Dunne. Former Mayor Dunne had it in a newspaper article before this was even mailed out. He stated that now you have heard all these people hear say they didn't give it to Mayor Dunne, they didn't print this, they didn't mail it. He does not understand.

Council Member Connolly stated that she thinks it should and would encourage it ....

Mayor Dempsey stated that this is not the first time that this has happened in an election. He advised that he put a letter in the Coast Star the week before this all happened saying that the Borough is not Trenton or Washington. If a council member makes a mistake that is fair game in a campaign. Your personal life should not be involved in the campaign. This has happened this year and it happened a few years ago. This has to stop. It is always the same party doing it and it is wrong.

Council Member Connolly stated then we should forget the e-mail that went out by the Board of Education inviting people to your fundraiser.....

Council Member Bossone interjected by stating that the e-mail did not come out from the Board of Education it came out from my step-daughter. He stated he didn't answer that night because he was not asked directly. Mr. Bartholomew came up and asked if anyone on the left side of council had anything to say or knew about it. Mr. Donovan and Mr. Lee answered. I did not answer anything. I did not deny it not knowing about it. If he wanted to know anything about it he would have asked me directly. She made a mistake and sent it from her Board of Education address. It was corrected and Rich Bartholomew knew that. She was reprimanded for it and that should be long over.

Council Member Connolly stated that she has checked the financial campaign records to see if there was any mailing done.

Mayor Dempsey stated that it was not done through the campaign that it was mailed with first class stamps and no tag line. This is highly illegal.

Council Member Grasso stated that he didn't know that Council Member Bossone's step daughter worked for the school.

Council Member Bossone stated that she does.

Council Member Grasso asked if he voted for the budget.

Council Member Bossone responded that is correct.

Council Member Grasso asked if that is a conflict of interest.

Council Member Bossone advised that she is married and lives on her own. She is my step daughter.

Mayor Dempsey stated that he does not believe that the 2 running republicans were involved in this issue.

Council Member Lucas stated that he thinks that it is important because we live in a small community that we all try to work together. Actions like this are deplorable. Unfortunately a person that was doing her job was brought into it. He spoke to Ms. Bills stating that it is upsetting to him that she as a conscientious and dedicated employee would be brought into the political arena. He stated that it was totally uncalled for.

Administration and Finance Committee – Council Member Connolly advised that the committee approved the bill payment of \$1,989,636.59. She advised that most of that was for county taxes. She advised that a detailed list is on the front desk for anyone that is interested in more information. She advised that as Liaison to the Cable TV Advisory Committee she received an announcement that Cablevision is raising its rates by 2.88% for 2011. She advised that the internet and phone service rates will not increase. She stated that she wanted to take time to honor Alice Hemphill who passed away on September 27, 2010. She advised that Alice was Manasquan's Environmental Commissioner being appointed in 1982 she lead the commission for over 20 years. She began the recycling movement in Manasquan, founder of the Sea Lavender Garden Club and lead the movement to save Fisherman's Cove from development. Council Member Connolly read a long list of accomplishments for Alice Hemphill. She stated to honor Alice's memory and her 96 years of life, the Sea Lavender Garden club will be planting 96 daffodils at her park on Stockton Lake Boulevard named in her honor

Public Safety and Recycling Committee—Council Member Lucas read a report from the Police Chief recognizing the Police and First Aid for their life saving actions on September 24, 2010. He went over the events that lead up to the saving of a pastor's life at the Lutheran Church. He named the following First Aid members, Jerry Hall, Joe Tully, Ryan Pettit, Sue Miscia and Bill Reynolds. He also named Officer Sutton and Det. Kleinknecht. He commended all involved for doing an excellent job for saving this life.

Public Property and Parks Committee — Council Member Lee reported on the update of the NJ Clean Energy Audit. Meetings have been continuing with Joe DeIorio and Charlie Rooney of T&M Associates, looking for grants. He advised that the Borough has been awarded the audit and that it will not cost the Borough anything. He feels that the Borough will be successful in obtaining grants to do over \$50,000 worth of improvements to multiple buildings as well as some areas in DPW. He also thanked the members of the Recreation Commission with Friends Helping Friends. They were involved in the renovation of the DCI Building. He also advised that the Mac's Pond geese problem is still being looked at and have come up with some solutions. He advised that there will be some trees removed in town due to disease. Also, the trees that will be removed will be replaced with trees that will not uproot the pavers on Main Street.

Beach Committee – Council Member Bossone congratulated Council Member Donovan on his re-election and for running a clean and respectable campaign. He advised that Owen McCarthy's election is very close. He stated that the snow fence is up at the Beach. The utility truck that has been ordered for the beach is expected to be delivered sometime this week. He advised that all the buildings are secured for the winter and the cracks on the blacktop are scheduled to be fixed this week. He advised that Brett is starting his off season work, fixing lifeguard stands, parking booths etc. He advised that pre-season sale of badges will start December 1 during office hours at Borough Hall at 2010 prices. This included seasonal beach badges and parking stickers. They will be on sale the month of December only.

Public Works Committee – Council Member Donovan reported that the Water and Sewer Department has completed hydrant flushing, leaf pick up is west side of the tracks this week, next week east side and the next west side pick up will be delayed due to the Thanksgiving week. Boat docks, fountains, parks and sprinklers have all been winterized by the DPW and water turned off on November 1. He reported that the DPW is working on a Brielle Road storm drain. It has been determined that there is a low spot in the pipe that causes the water to drain a little bit slower then it should. He reported that the new water treatment plant is right on schedule. He reported that the Borough is looking into a complaint with regards to water running down from Wall Township and flooding their backyards from the bike path. On behalf of the Environmental Commission they are asking permission to place a container in Borough Hall to collect food for the Monmouth County Food Bank.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Council Member Bossone. Motion carried unanimously.

Borough Administrator Joseph Delorio thanked Council Member Grasso for recognizing him for the minutes being put on the website. He advised that he wanted to thank the Municipal Clerk for getting them on the website. He stated that there is a procedure set up to get the closed session minutes up on the website which will involve the Borough Attorney reviewing those minutes.

Council Member Bossone made a motion to open the meeting up to the public, seconded by Council Member Lee. Motion carried unanimously.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** 

Sean Gleason, 99 Manito Road stated that he is embarrassed to be a republican in this town if this is the kind of shenanigans they pull. This is not a democrat calling in their favors. This is a stepdaughter trying to support her dad naively in his first term as a council member. He reiterated what was done and how it was handled by the BOE. He asked his republican party if any of them had anything to do with attacking my friend's stepdaughter and calling it Democrats calling in a favor.

Council Member Lucas stated that he "had no knowledge and he did not make any comments or he wasn't directly involved."

Mr. Gleason thanked the council member for his answer.

Council Member Connolly stated that she "had no knowledge of it."

Mr. Gleason asked Council Member Grasso to speak for the record and not just make a motion.

Council Member Grasso stated "no."

Mr. Gleason stated that was what he was looking for. Mr. Gleason voiced his opinion on how things were handled.

Jim O'Neill, 45 McClean Ave., stated that IFAM is a new group in town. He voiced his opinion on the personal attacks that took place. He suggested that everyone work together to get back to what this town is all about.

Mayor Dempsey reiterated that the 2 running republicans are fine guys and that they did not do this.

Mr. O'Neill I care about the.....

Council Member Grasso stated that we do not need the IFMA or whatever you are....

Mr. O'Neill stated "what do you mean whatever you are". We are the residents and concerned of this town.

Council Member Grasso stated that people can look at the transparency on the minutes, that's why they are there.

Mr. O'Neill stated to Council Member Grasso that "if you don't believe in us then we are not going to believe in you. So don't even ask us for your vote if you even decide to run again."

Council Member Grasso stated that he is not asking for Mr. O'Neill's vote I am just saying if you want to see bickering .......

Mr. O'Neill stated that he has had enough thank you very much.

Patty Bossone, Ridge Ave., voiced her opinion as to what is going on with regards to her daughter. She stated that it was her idea for her daughter to ask her friends to get together for a nice night out. She asked why the republicans never invite anyone to come and talk to them. She advised Council Member Grasso that it is IFAM and they should know the people that they want to support them.

Council Member Lucas made a motion to close the public session, seconded by Council Member Donovan. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Donovan made a motion to close the regular meeting at 9.00 p.m., seconded by Council Member Bossone. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Ilaria Municipal Clerk

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